

(a) the number of petrol/diesel retail outlets and LPG agencies allotted in Bihar during the last three years and till date, districtwise;

(b) the number of persons belonging to SC and ST, among them district-wise;

(c) the number of applications for allotment of these agencies lying pending, district-wise;

(d) whether there is any plan to allot more petrol/diesel retail outlets and LPG agencies in future; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR): (a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>RO SC/ST</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>LPG SC/ST</i>
1988-89	27	5	15	3
1989-90	20	6	05	1
1990-91	4	-	05	-
April -Nov. '91	04	-	05	-
Total-	55	11	30	4

(b) Only state-wise break up of SC/ST dealerships is maintained by Government.

(c) Such information is not maintained by Government.

(d) and (e). New retail outlets/LPG distributorships are opened in different places including those in Bihar as per Marketing Plans, product availability, etc.

has been operating in the refineries amounting to huge losses;

(b) if so, whether any inquiry has been conducted in this regard;

(c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(d) action taken or proposed to be taken against the persons found guilty?

Pipeline Tappers

[English]

4752. SHRI JEEWAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state.

(a) whether an organised gang of pipeline tappers with a network all over Gujarat

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR): (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.